

# Potomac State College

## ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

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### All Alumni Urged To Contribute To Scholarship Fund

An urgent appeal is being made to all former students of Potomac State to contribute to the Alumni Scholarship Fund, which provides for the studies of four students, pictured in this bulletin.

Officers of the Association are currently setting up a system whereby each member on the Alumni mailing list will be contacted for his contribution in the near future. In the meantime, any donation toward the fund will be gratefully accepted.

Any contribution, no matter how large or how small, will help promote the scholarship program, which was established three years

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### Newsletter May Be Permanent If Interest Shown

Plans for the publication of an Alumni Newsletter were among a number of topics discussed at a recent meeting of the Alumni Association.

This first issue is being mailed out to all alumni as a complimentary copy in the hopes that those receiving it will want to see it continued as a regular project.

Kenneth F. Haines, secretary-treasurer of the organization, has announced that all dues may be mailed directly to him at the college. The total amount of \$2.50 per person also covers a subscription to the newsletter, which the association hopes to publish quarterly. Dual membership of \$4.00 will be accepted if both husband and wife are Potomac State alumni.

### Winners of Alumni Scholarships



Carl W. Smith

Recipients of this year's Alumni Scholarships are Miss Virginia Basilea and Carl D. Smith, pictured above.

Miss Basilea, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mario Basilea, East Orange, N. J., received an award of \$300. She is a graduate of the C. J. Scott High School in that city.

Smith, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James D. Smith, Route 3, Sykesville, Md., is a graduate of Sykesville High School. His scholarship is valued at \$200.

Miss Basilea is taking a medical secretarial course, while Smith is in the field of pre-education.



Virginia Basilea

### Homecoming Set Saturday, Oct. 24; Barbecue Planned

Informality will be the keynote of the homecoming celebration on the Potomac State Campus this year as former students take to the highways to return to their Alma Mater. The big event is slated for Saturday, October 24, and a full schedule of events has been planned.

A pre-game thuse and bonfire will be held on the Friday evening preceding homecoming, but Saturday is the big day! Registration will be held at the Administration Building between the hours of 9 a. m. and 12 noon. The traditional Homecoming Parade will move from the campus at 12:30 and proceed through the business district and back to Stayman Field, where the Catamounts will clash with the team from Montgomery Junior College, of Takoma Park, Md., at 2 o'clock.

Immediately following the game an outdoor chicken barbecue will be served on the lot adjacent to the Science Hall. The meal will be prepared and served by members of the Home Economics Club and the boys in the Agriculture Club.

The menu for the evening meal, to be served from 4:30 to 6:30 p. m. only, will include barbecued chicken, scalloped potatoes, cole slaw, sliced tomatoes, home-made cake, and steaming hot coffee. The price will be \$1.50 and all persons attending must either have a reservation or purchase a ticket in advance.

Only 400 tickets will be on sale. The deadline for both the advance ticket sale and the out-of-town reservations will be Oct. 16.

In case of inclement weather arrangements have been made to move the tables and serving lines inside the building. No program

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**ALUMNI NOTES**

DR. THAD T. HUFFMAN, Keyser, was recently appointed a member of the nine-member Board of Directors of the National Bank.

GARY M. ATHEY, Keyser, is serving this year as one of the associate editors of the West Virginia Law Review at WVU.

DR. WILLIAM R. BIDDINGTON, Piedmont, has been appointed chairman of endodontics in the WVU School of Dentistry.

MRS. ELSIE HOFFMAN WRIGHT, 76, died May 9 at her home in Keyser. She was instrumental in organizing the music department of the old West Virginia Preparatory School, now Potomac State College.

REP. HARLEY O. STAGGERS, Keyser, recently went on record as saying he plans to run for office in the next election. He declined to state whether he would seek re-election to Congress or would try for another office.

A campus visitor this summer was JOHN W. HALL, of Havre, Mont., who is well-known as one of the outstanding civil engineers in the country. He visited here enroute to Morgantown, where he attended the 50th anniversary reunion of the WVU Class of 1909, of which he was president. Hall is a former resident of Keyser.

ATTY. DONALD C. HOTT, of Keyser, is currently serving as president of the Keyser Lions Club.

DESALES MEYERS, of Lonaconing, Md., recently had one of his short stories published in an issue of the Saturday Evening Post. The article dealt with his experiences aboard a submarine during World War II. He is presently employed as librarian at Mt. Washington Hospital, Mt. Washington, Md. He is married and the father of one child.

MRS. BRENDA KISER STUBBS received a B. S. degree in nursing education at the Medical College of Virginia in Richmond on June 7.

Mr. and Mrs. THOMAS MELODY announce the birth of a son on Sept. 21 in Keyser. Melody is now working with United Press International in Cleveland, Ohio.

LCDR NORMAN RAY KEPHART recently left the Norfolk headquarters of Adm. Jerauld Wright, USN, NATO'S Supreme Allied Commander Atlantic, to become assistant supply officer of the aircraft carrier USS Saratoga. Married and the father of two sons, he had been logistics plans officer on Adm. Wright's staff since reporting aboard in August of 1957.

MISS IDA FRANCES WARD, Keyser, recently employed as continuity director of Radio Station WAJR, Morgantown, was nominated for a Rotary Fellowship to study abroad but withdrew her application in contemplation of her marriage to Richard Haymond Hawkins, Jr., of Clarksburg. The wedding is scheduled for Oct. 10, in Keyser.

ALFRED BARR visited on campus this summer while on his honeymoon. He was married Aug. 9 to the former Eva Jean Elwell of Stillwater. Al is assistant in the department of agricultural economics at Oklahoma State University and is also completing his dissertation for a doctor's degree.

Two women from the Tri-Towns are busy working as airline stewardesses. Miss JOANNE HERBERT, of Westernport, now with American Airlines, has been trans-

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Shopping Center  
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All Sportsmen

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ALUMNI

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Alumni**

Compliments of  
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ferred from Tulsa, Okla., while Miss FRANCINE GARCIA, of Luke, Md., has completed training with American Airlines as a stewardess and has been assigned to Boston.

DR. WILLIAM B. O'CONNOR, Keyser, recently opened his dental office in Frostburg, Md. He was graduated in June from the University of Maryland.

ATTY. JAMES H. SWADLEY, JR., was elected secretary of the West Virginia University Board of Governors at an all-day meeting of the group in Morgantown in June.

MISS JOYCE BOONE, Keyser, was graduated from Bridgewater College in June receiving a B. S. degree in home economics.

JAMES W. GOLDSWORTHY has been named principal at Keyser High School, following the resignation of Parker C. Black because of illness.

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**Corsage**  
For the Game and Dance



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Your Favorite Friday Night  
**Dance Spot**

**The Blue Jay**

A Perfect Place To Meet  
Your Friends During  
**Homecoming  
Weekend**

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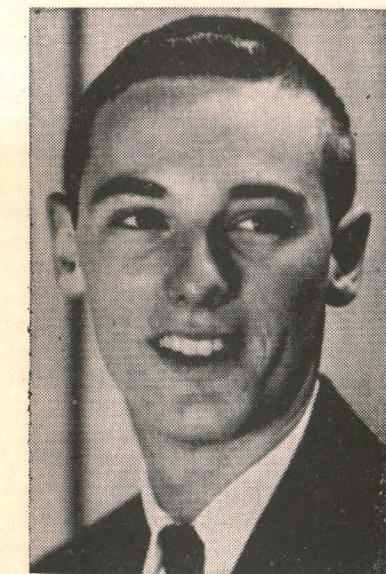
F. KEISTER SMITH resigned his position at the Luke plant of the West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company in June to accept a position with the Champion Paper and Fiber Company in the corporate office at Hamilton, O. His wife, the former Norma Orndorff, and their two sons joined him there later.

Tragedy struck the alumni ranks in two accidents during the summer months, resulting in the death of JAMES A. WILLIAMS, last year's Little All-American selection for guard in football and MISS MARGARET (PEGGY) ANN KITZMILLER, (1951-53). Williams, 21, died July 14 in Salem, N. J., County Memorial Hospital 18 days after a one-car accident on Route 45 early the morning of June 27. His death reportedly was caused by a blood clot. Miss Kitzmiller, 26, an employee of the Luke Paper Mill died on Aug. 23 when a powerful 16-foot inboard Century motorboat driven by a 9-year-old Pittsburgh lad ran over her while she was swimming 30 feet from the end of a pier in Deep Creek Lake, near Oakland, Md.

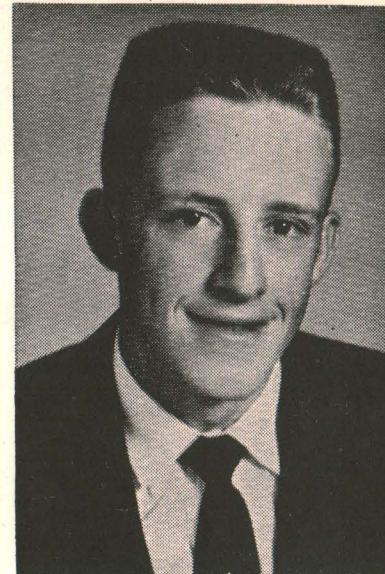
We're Shouting Out Our  
**Welcome Home**  
To You!!



Scratch and Hazel  
**The  
CHAT and CHEW**  
McCoole, Md.

**First Scholarship Winners**

Robert W. McBride



James T. Allen

The two young men who won the first Alumni Scholarship are now in their second year of work on the Potomac State campus and are making quite a name for themselves.

Robert W. McBride, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. McBride, 101 E St., Keyser, is a sophomore pre-education major. A graduate of Keyser High School, he is continuing his studies under the Alumni Scholarship, which was extended to cover his second year of work. He is secretary of Phi Sigma Nu fraternity and belongs to the Roth Military Honorary Society.

James T. Allen, a sophomore engineering major, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Allen, Sr., of Sinks Grove, W. Va. located in Monroe County. A graduate of Union High School, he is serving this year as president of Sigma Phi Omega Honor Society, is Commander of the Roth Military Honorary Society, is president of the campus 4-H Club, vice-president of Phi Sigma Nu fraternity, and belongs to the Christian Youth Fellowship.

CAPT. JOHN KIDNER participated in the historic event of the first Atlas intercontinental ballistic missile launching from Vandenberg Air Force Base.

WE'RE WAITING  
TO GREET YOU  
at the  
**Sugar Bowl**  
Where Dad Took His Girl

Keyser Lodge No. 662  
**LOYAL ORDER  
OF MOOSE**  
Joins the City  
In Welcoming You Back  
to  
**Potomac State**

DR. and MRS. JOSEPH W. CAVALLARO (HARRIET AHERN) are residing in Gallipolis, Ohio, where he is head of the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Department of the Rolzer Hospital and Clinic. They visited their respective homes in Keyser and Piedmont enroute from Oklahoma City, Okla.

Although SEN. RALPH J. BEAN of Moorefield, has not made a final decision he recently confirmed that he is "interested" in seeking the Democratic nomination for governor of West Virginia in the 1960 elections.

DR. ROBERT BESS, Jr., Piedmont, has opened an office for the practice of general medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics, and minor surgery in the Tri-Towns.

Two former Potomac State students who became members of the faculty this year are JACK HARTMAN, Moorefield, who is an instructor in psychology, and JERRY

## Marriages

Recent marriages include DOLORES WILLHIDE, Keyser, to John Nassif, Cleveland; ROBERT CONNOLLY, Pittsburgh to Agnes Rita Keller, St. Mary's, Pa.; BETTY JO BOWERS, Brushy Run, to Alan H. Maris, Des Moines, Iowa; ZANE W. NORTHCRAFT, Rt. 3, Keyser, to Jean Llewellyn, Keyser; JAMES T. GIFFIN, Keyser, to Sally Ann Tribett, Keyser; DOLORES MIERS, Keyser, to LT. JACK R. WILSON, Keyser; ELDON LEE NICOL, Lonaconing, Md., to Carol Jean McFarlene, Lonaconing; PATRICIA LYNN FLINT, New Creek, to Jennings R. Poland, Keyser; BARBARA ANN HAINES, Keyser, to GORDON RAY KENT, Grafton; DONNA JEAN DASHER, Moorefield, to Cpl. Richard O. Evans, Moorefield; ANN VANMETER HUFFMAN, Burlington, to Dr. Beverly Noe Chambers, Charleston; THOMAS JAMES KARRAS, Keyser, to Hampton Lee Callaway, Wheeling; SYLVIO MAYOLO, Piedmont, to Rita Ellen Callis, Westernport; HAROLD WIMER, Keyser, to Bonnie Belt, Petersburg; MARSHALL WILLIAM SHIPLEY, JR., Keyser, to Lois Wilda Borror, Keyser.

## Births

New parents include Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT WILSON (Sally GIFFIN), McCoole, Md., a son; Capt. and Mrs. J. WILLIAM GANNON, of Warner Robbins, Ga., a daughter; Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT NILAND, Westernport, a daughter; Mr. and Mrs. John Vudrogovic (LOUISE SHORES), Mingo Junction, Ohio, a daughter; Lt. and Mrs. WILSON MILLESON (MARY VIRGINIA RYAN), El Paso, Texas, a son; Mr. and Mrs. JENNINGS STICKLEY, Keyser, a son; Mr. and Mrs. GLENN O. WORKMAN, JR., Keyser, a son.

We urge all alumni to send in news briefs about themselves or their classmates so that we may use them in subsequent issues of the newsletter.

### ALUMNI NOTE

The PENDERGAST boys from Keyser are going strong in the field of journalism. Both TOM and DICK are with the Associated Press in New Orleans while BOB is beginning his junior year in the School of Journalism at West Virginia University.

## Summer Sees Campus Facelifting

Approximately \$13,000 was spent to carry out improvements on the campus during the summer, according to Dr. E. E. Church.

At Reynolds Hall, the building was completely rewired and a fire escape has been added to the east side. Renovations included conversion of a former basement kitchen to an additional dormitory room, and of a storage room to additional space for laundry purposes.

At the Administration Building the water system has been renewed and new doors have been installed at the rear entrances.

The temporary housing units at Arcadia Heights, housing for married students and some faculty, were given new roofing. Some windows were replaced and caulking was done.

At Stayman Field, stadium seats were repaired and roof dressing was applied to the field house.

Concrete paving was put down on walks, bordering the center of the campus as well as the front of the gymnasium.

The work was done mainly by the college maintenance staff. The fire escape at Reynolds and the doors at the Administration Building were installed by Ray C. Coffman, local contractor.

### HOMECOMING SET

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has been planned for the evening and the business meeting will consist of election of officers only.

The day's activities will conclude with the annual Homecoming Ball in the College Gymnasium from 9 p. m. until midnight and will honor "Miss Catamount XXI."

All events will be held on daylight saving time.

MEET AND GREET  
YOUR FRIENDS

at

**Marty's**

Located On Armstrong St.

### ALL ALUMNI URGED

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ago by the Association.

Although there has not been a permanent chairman assigned since the resignation of Carl Gustkey of Wheeling, the following people have been appointed to serve as contact people in the Potomac State area: (Others will be named at a later date.)

Dr. Paul T. Healy, Dr. Donald Kiser, Atty. Reeves Taylor, Mrs. Gerould Klinestiver, Mrs. Harold Carvey, Mrs. Frances Hartman, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilson, Keyser.

Piedmont: Dr. Lawrence Fanti, Dr. James Wolverton. Cumberland: Atty. Harry Stegmaier, Thomas Gilchrest, James Stafford.

Frostburg: Mrs. Paula Williams Munson. Romney: Atty. William Loy, Mrs. Nancy Harper. Moorefield: Sen. Ralph J. Bean. Oakland: Robert Sincell and William Shirer.

In the meantime those desiring to send in their donation may address same to John Raschella, Financial Secretary, Potomac State College, Keyser, W. Va.

WELCOME BACK,  
ALUMNI

## Once Again . . .

We Are Happy To  
Welcome Potomac State's  
Sons and Daughters  
To Keyser  
Stop In and See Us  
Before the Game!



**The ROSEMONT  
Restaurant**

# New Brochure On Potomac State Is Being Sent Out

A new 28-page brochure, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 11, titled "Our Campus and Your Future" has just been released by the public relations department of Potomac State College.

The booklet, prepared for the use of prospective students, is done in black and white with back and front covers in blue and gold quartoine. The front cover shows a section of the campus including the Science Hall and the Administration Building. The back cover shows a side view of the Science Hall. The booklet contains numerous illustrations showing the physical plant, and the faculty and students engaged in both class and extracurricular activities.

In addition to a brief history of the college and an explanation of the college offerings, the publication contains a survey of types of occupations the student may wish to prepare for, along with the opportunities in such occupations, and the course of studies one must pursue in preparation for such work.

One section, "Asked and Answered," gives replies to approximately 30 of the most common questions asked by students interested in the college.

Inserted in the book for the convenience of prospective students is a card on which they may request additional information about Potomac State.

The publication, which was written and designed by the college public relations director, Dr. Elizabeth A. Atwater, was printed by the Mathews Printing and Lithographing Co., Charleston.

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Mrs. HENRIETTA A. ALLEN, R. N., expects to obtain the degree of BS in Public Health Nursing in July 1960 from the University of North Carolina School of Public Health, where she is enrolled.

Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT E. LEE have moved from Lansing, Mich. to Washington, D. C. Mr. Lee is currently attending Georgetown Dental School. (Mrs. Lee is the former Dorothy Hannas.)

PAT BANE is attending the University of Miami in Florida.

GEORGE WILSON of Burlington, has enrolled at Bowling Green University, Bowling Green, Ohio.

Visiting the campus this summer were Dr. and Mrs. CHARLES M. GARRETT (HILDA WHIPPLE) and their two sons. They reside at LaMesa, Calif., where Charles is in surgery and surgical diagnosis.

RUPERT BAILEY resides in Grafton where he is affiliated with the Springfield Fire and Marine Insurance Co.

FRANK MESKOVICH is a salesman for the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co., Akron, Ohio.

JAMES WILLIAM RICHMOND has accepted a position at Mt. Savage High School teaching seventh and eighth grades. He graduated with an A. B. degree from University of Maryland in June.

KENNETH CLARY, manager of the A & P Supermarket, Westerport, Md., was recently recognized with membership in the company's Quarter Century Club.

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